

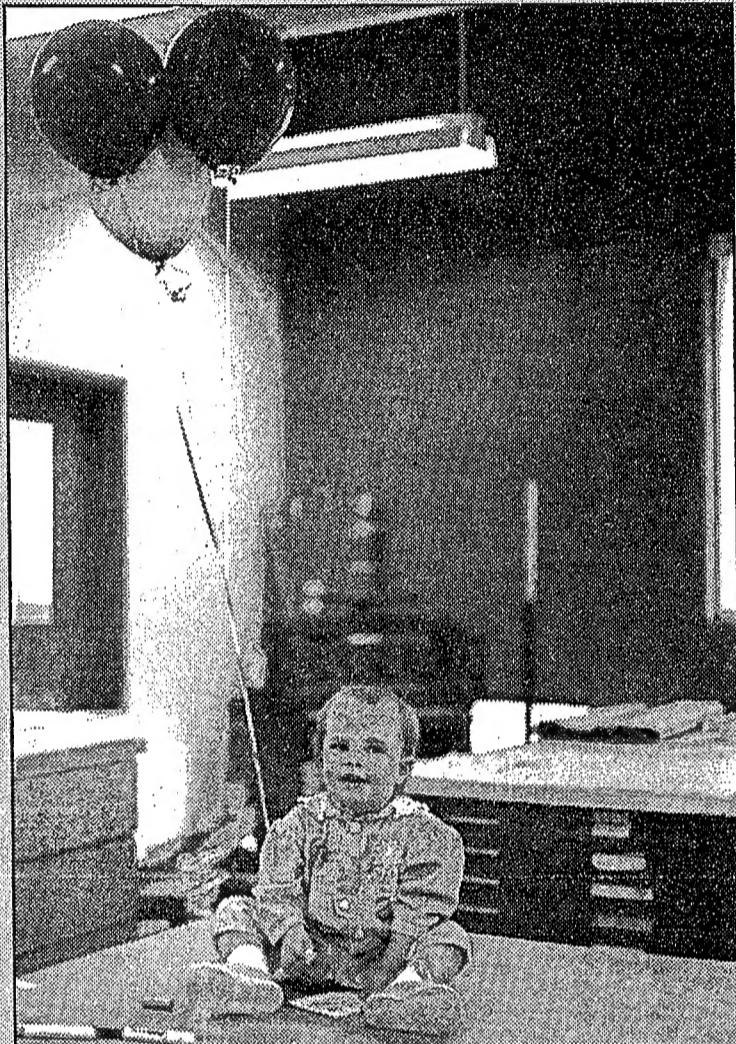
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A Girl and Her Balloons



—Amy Maine

Eighteen-month-old Tasha Sanderson, daughter of Jan Sanderson, gets a lift during the Crayola Dream Makers children's art workshop in the Fine Arts Building.

New College of IST Building, Dorms Still In Planning Stage

By Blenda Guarino

A College of Information Sciences and Technology at UNO has come one step closer to reality with a \$500,000 appropriation from the state legislature to plan a building to house these new programs, said Neil Morgensen, director of Facilities and Plant Management.

The first step in planning the new building is to create an architectural program statement, he said.

This statement will identify space needs and attempt to set a dollar value for the job. It will inform and provide the estimated number of personnel needed to run the new college, Morgensen said.

Dana Larson Roubal and Associates of Omaha will be creating the statement, he said. Based on the statement, Facilities and Plant Management will finalize the building site and begin schematic and development designs. Contract and architectural drawings will be made at that time.

It is unknown how long the statement process will take, Morgensen said, but Facilities and Plant Management is anticipating the next steps will go quickly.

There are four possible sites being considered for the new building. All of these sites are located in the southwest area of campus; the parking lot areas directly south and west of Durham Science Hall, Morgensen said.

Because the building would take away

much-needed parking space, another parking garage would be built on the west side of campus. The parking structure would aesthetically balance the campus, as well as solve the parking space demand, Morgensen said.

In other campus building news, David Castilow, associate director of facilities and plant management, said the progress on dormitories is still in the research phase of development.

There are two basic possibilities at which Facilities and Plant Management is looking, Castilow said. One would be a privatized approach, where UNO would lease the land to a private individual or company who would plan, build and manage the dorm facilities. The other option would be for UNO to build and manage the dorms, he said.

If UNO decides to do the venture, then the same planning procedure would need to be followed. Before this process could start, financing would need to be arranged, he said.

The anticipated location of the dormitories will be the parking lot directly south of the criminal justice building, west of the park where Shakespeare on the Green is held each summer.

Facilities and Plant Management has a self-imposed April deadline for completing their research on the dorms, Castilow said.

A&S Dean Candidate Bartelt Would Seek Open Door Policy

By Steve Benak

David Bartelt, the third of four finalists seeking the dean position for the College of Arts and Sciences, said because students deserve the right to voice their concerns, he will promote an "open door policy."

Bartelt, a professor of geography at Temple University in Philadelphia, spoke to a crowd of about 20 people Monday in the Student Center.

He received his bachelor's degree at Temple University and his master's degree from Ohio State University in sociology. Some of his fields of work include housing, housing policy, and mortgage redlining.

At Temple, Bartelt said his strengths are in developing external constituencies and targeting the community to revitalize the people of Philadelphia where homelessness, crime, and drugs are a problem. He has held positions as director of public policy and director of research center in which money was raised for research projects at Temple University.

His own philosophy was oriented toward a collaborative approach with a strong administration, "To provide resources and contend for resources among the faculty and students," he said.

Bartelt was head of the board review of the Temple University Press, a job that called for

reading through and exchanging many manuscripts, he said.

Bartelt stressed the importance of social and experimental research and that research should not be cheapened. He said UNO should design research thinking and apply it where the stakes are high.

Restructuring the educational process and providing student services will be important to UNO, Bartelt said.

"A student is not a customer, and we should not deal with students as objects," he said. "A student has assets, and is working to improve asset values."

He said he wants an open door policy where students can voice their concerns and he does not want to see students angered and making appeals. He talked about expanding resources for the students and more flexibility of the university.

UNO needs to explore ways of expanding opportunities for students in their daily lives to make their educational experience more successful, Bartelt said.

When asked what the biggest challenges at universities today are, Bartelt said many universities get swallowed up in the neglect shown toward cities in which they reside.

Temple is a good example of a university

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David Bartelt

Getting Some Culture at UNO



—SR Kemper

UNO senior Eui-jeong Choi, left, and sophomore Sang-hee Bae, left background, use the Korean language to write the names of sophomore Bryan Pakieser, right background, and junior Brad Stearns, right, during the International Cultural Fair.

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Find out how the administration is showing the ropes to the faculty.

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OPINIONS, EDITORIALS AND LETTERS

Cut the Welfare Apron Strings After Two Years

I used to live in a run-down apartment building just east of the Dundee area, where the landlord allowed Section 8 housing tenants to rent from him. It was there that I met Noreen and Don.

Of the six units in the building, four were rented on a tenant-pays basis, the other two were rented under the Section 8 housing guidelines where the Omaha Housing Authority (read as government) paid the rent for the tenants.

Those two units housed Noreen and her two boys, who lived in the apartment across the hall from me and Don and his son and daughter, who lived downstairs.

Noreen was a divorced mother, raising her two grade school-aged children on her own. She did not work, but she attended school where she studied nursing.

In addition to the Section 8 help she was receiving, Noreen received welfare support from Aid to Families with Dependent Children, the Catholic Church (her boys were attending a Catholic school on a Catholic scholarship program), food stamps and Medicare. She received energy credits to heat her home in the winter and turn on the fans to help cool the apartment in the summer.

Noreen had been on welfare in its many forms for about a year and, when my wife and I moved out of the building, she planned on being on welfare for another six months, or until she finished school and could afford the time to find a job.

Noreen was a shining example of our welfare system at work.

She went on welfare when she needed a hand and planned on getting off just as soon as her education was finished so she might contribute again to the system that had helped her in her time of need.

Like Noreen, Don was divorced and the father of two grade school-aged children he was raising on his own.

Don did not work nor did Don go to school.

Mostly, Don sat in his apartment supervising his kids when they were home and waiting for them to come home when they were at school.

Don also received welfare in its many and varied forms. Energy credits, Medicare, ADC and food stamps.

Don had been on welfare since his wife had left him two years ago and showed no signs of getting off it.

When asked once if he would look for a job now that his youngest was in first grade, therefore putting both children in school for several hours at a time, Don replied that he thought he should stay at home on the chance that one of the kids got sick and he had to take

them to the doctor.

Besides, he had often said, his shoulder gave him trouble and he did not think he could actually do any work.

I will grant you that Noreen was perhaps 25 years old where Don was closer to 50. I will also grant you that Don was not in top physical condition. But in a city like Omaha, the 'Telemarketing Capitol of the World' I think Don could have found something to do that would not aggravate his shoulder.

Don was getting a free ride. Not a luxury ride by any standards, but a free one, nonetheless.

Don was a shining example of the trouble with our welfare system.

Noreen had gone on welfare as a means to an end. To Don, welfare was the end.

And that's the trouble.

The Noreens of this world are not looking for a handout, but plan on raising their standard of living by using welfare to help them get ahead. Meanwhile, the Dons of this world would rather spend their lives getting their livelihood handed to them for as long as they can pull it off.

And that is why welfare reform is so necessary.

All able-bodied persons should get two years on welfare and then be cut off for a minimum of four years before they are allowed to get back on again.

How cruel, you say?

On the contrary.. Anyone who is able-bodied enough to find a job should be out looking unless that person needs some sort of help.

Noreen needed help to better herself so she might become a better provider for her children. The only help Don needed was off his... sofa.

One of the biggest problems facing this country today is the fact that we want to be good Samaritans, but we can't afford it.

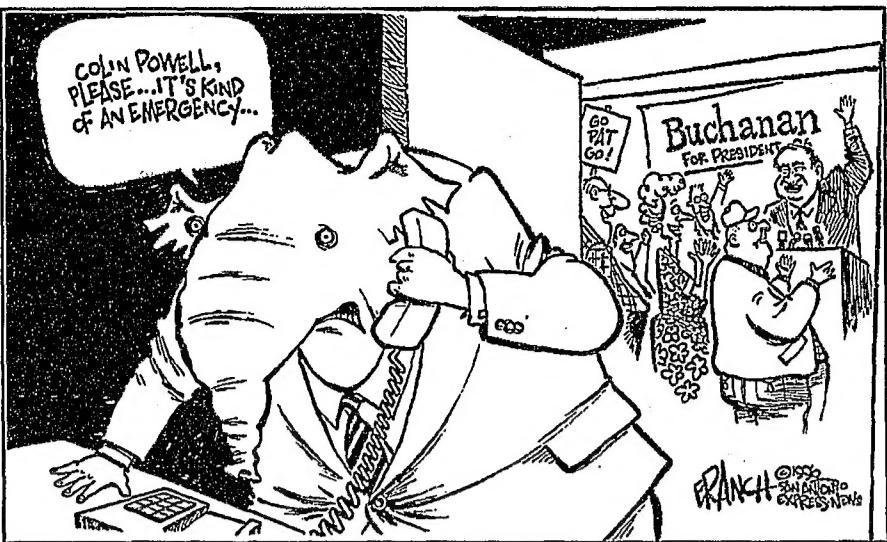
Federal welfare programs have been letting too many able-bodied individuals cling to them like a child at a mother's apron strings.

The programs baby them and coddle them without making them take on their grown-up responsibilities.

So, what will happen to those people who are deemed able-bodies, but go past their two-year limit? Perhaps private outreach groups, shelters and churches funded by private donations by people who care can take over when a person's two years are through.

The government has to realize that it can not continue to baby those individuals who simply need a reason to get up and work.

It's time federal welfare programs learned how to cut the apron strings.



American Intervention Isn't Worth Time, Money, Lives

I think I'm becoming an isolationist. And I have Fidel Castro, among others, to thank for it.

Seems there were a couple of American planes down there in Cuban waters that were shot down by the dictator and his thugs. Seems, he says, that they shouldn't have been there. They were not in international waterways, but in his own country, dropping democratic propaganda inside his borders.

And over on the other side of the world in the Middle East, they're throwing around bombs like there's no tomorrow.

And guess who's right in the middle of it all?

Yep, that's right, the good 'ol U.S.A. We're right at the epicenter of it all. Why, you ask? Well, because we are the police of the world. If anything goes wrong anywhere, the United States is right there to pick up the pieces.

Like in Bosnia. Something went wrong over there. So we sent some troops to clean up the wreckage. I'm not sure if that's done yet, but I know we still have troops over there.

This confuses me. Why on earth do we always end up sticking our noses in other peoples business? Don't we have problems of our own? Say, for instance, outrageous taxes and crime.

"But Eric," the pundits say, "we have a duty to spread peace and democracy around the world. We can't allow the Serbs and the Croats to control their own problems. Why, that would be sheer lunacy. Just think of the consequences."

"What consequences?" I ask. What could possibly be wrong with letting the Israeli's blow up the Palestinians and vice versa? You just know that eventually they're going to call on us to settle the argument. Then some of our own are going to get blown up.

"Have you forgotten your history, young man?" they continue. "Don't you know that if Americans hadn't intervened in W.W.II, we'd all be speaking German right now?"

Ah-yes, the Hitler thing. They always bring that up. And they are partially right, too. If the

U.S. hadn't fought over there, we might be saluting the swastika instead of the stars and stripes. But what "they" don't recall is that Hitler had taken over half of Europe and was looking to gain more ground.

Nowadays though, all these little countries are fighting over a couple square miles of land, or whether or not to worship a cow instead of a lamb, or something to that effect. It has little or nothing to do with America.

But "they" will tell you different. "What about peace? Don't you think everybody deserves to live in peace and harmony, and not have to answer to some fascist dictator when they want a loaf of bread?"

Well yes, I suppose they deserve that. But at what cost? How many of our troops' lives are worth a moments peace to some insignificant country? Not too many, in my estimation.

Besides, it's not like they're going to stop killing each other after we leave, anyway. How long have the Israelis been fighting the Palestinians? A thousand years? Two thousand? Who knows. But one thing's sure, they're going to keep on doing it.

But what to do about this Cuba business? Those were American planes that were shot down, after all. There should be some kind of retaliation. Maybe we can blow up a couple of their planes, then everything would be even-steven.

"Yes, but, what about the lives we lost? Those Americans were trying to help the freedom fighters in Cuba. We owe them more than that."

True. But what? More sanctions? More embargoes? Will that bring them back to life? No, it won't.

What might work is to wait for Castro to die (of natural causes) and have his successor come in and figure out that without some leniency towards democratic-thinking people, his regime will fall. Then he can come to us asking for help, and we'll say no.

That'll fix 'em.

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Program Aims to Give Faculty a Taste of College Administration

By Niz Proskocil

The Administrative Leadership Program will give two UNO faculty members an opportunity to gain firsthand experience in the field of higher education administration.

Barbara Hewins-Maroney, executive assistant to the chancellor, said the Administrative Leadership Program, developed by Chancellor Del Weber and his vice chancellors, is an opportunity for faculty members to experience administrative culture, administrative decision-making and to gain insight into policy-making at the University of Nebraska system.

Hewins-Maroney said the duties of the leadership fellows include learning about decision-making at the university and exposing them to policy-making and administrative functions.

"I think that for some faculty, they don't know how we spend our time. But now they have an opportunity to go to meetings, social functions, and to see how many things can arise in one day that you deal with."

The two leadership fellows will work with the UNO administration as well as the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Kearney and the University of Nebraska Medical Center. And they will also have interactions with the Omaha community.

"Much of what we do is not only on campus but off campus, especially some of the issues affecting student housing, Ak-Sar-Ben and information science and technology," she said. "They'll be involved in a variety of things."

The leadership program also provides faculty who are considering entering the field of higher education administration with valuable experience working with university administrators.

"There are jobs all across the country that open up looking for good people. This gives them an idea of what it would be like."

Hewins-Maroney said the idea for such a

program originated from a group of faculty members who felt the need for involvement in other aspects of the university, aside from their teaching responsibilities.

"We thought we would begin by giving that opportunity to many faculty members who had expressed interest," she said. "The semester-long experience does give them a very good idea of how decisions are made."

Hewins-Maroney said that current, full-time faculty members are eligible to take part in the program for the 1997 spring semester, and they will teach only part time while participating in the program. Application materials should be submitted to Chancellor Weber, Eppley Administration Building, Room 201, by April 12.

"We do it so far in advance because since only full-time faculty members are eligible, we have to give the departments and the colleges time to find replacements for them."

In the first two years of the program, she said, individuals primarily selected either were placed in the chancellor's office or in the office for academic affairs because many faculty members wanted to see how academic affairs work, how budget decisions are made, and how decisions are made about issues dealing with faculty.

"Last year, we had a person who was interested in technology and information science. He chose a placement working with distance education, so his placement was not directly out of the chancellor's office or in the vice chancellor of academic affairs' office," Hewins-Maroney said. "He primarily worked in the College of Continuing Studies and with Computing and Data Communications."

Applicants need to submit a letter stating what areas of interest they would like to work in, a copy of their curriculum vita or resume, and three campus references.

"They'll see how contracts are made, what a chancellor does on a daily basis, and what deans do — they don't play golf all the time."

Aviation Institute Flies Into the Web

By Gary Dean Davis

UNO's Aviation Institute has flown into the future by setting up the Journal of Air Transportation World Wide (JATWW) as a site on the World Wide Web.

Brent Bowen, director of the UNO Aviation Institute, said the web site will help make the journal "the most disseminated in the world." Bowen said journals offered electronically on the Web will become the wave of the future. With rising costs putting the pinch on many universities, Bowen said, web sites will help many journals survive. The site's home page states that it is "the first on-line international aerospace refereed journal with global dissemination at no charge."

The JATWW will include professional articles in various areas of air travel across the world. Bowen said the journal will publish anywhere between six to 20 articles a year.

Submissions to the journal will be reviewed anonymously by a panel of reviewers from across the United States and from Latvia. Bowen said the article review will be done in a way to present "an unbiased academic review."

The web site says that the journal's mission is to "provide the global community immediate key resource information in all

areas of air transportation." Bowen said the main goal of the journal is to help the new discipline of aviation grow and to promote the Aviation Institute.

The JATWW is co-sponsored by the Nebraska Space Grant Consortium and Riga Aviation University, Latvia. Bowen said having Riga University involved is part of a student exchange and grant program set up between the Latvian University and UNO. Bowen said Riga University helps give the journal an international flair.

The journal's first article was written by Henry Lehrer. Lehrer is editor of the *Journal of Aviation Aerospace Education Research* and professor of aviation at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Bowen said the web site will be updated frequently to encourage several visits by those interested. Readers can subscribe to the journal via E-mail at no cost. Bowen said more articles are in the review process and will soon be published on the site.

Any submissions for publication are encouraged, Bowen said, and a bound volume of the journal will be printed at the end of each year. The JATWW web site address is <http://www.unomaha.edu/~himberg/journal.html>

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that is being swallowed up because of the neglect. Some causes of this neglect are the homelessness, crime, and drugs that are part of the problems in Philadelphia, he said.

He said two solutions would be to better fund the university and more effectively recruit students.

Bartelt said he is used to working with diverse sets of personalities with his backgrounds in sociology and geography. He said

he believes in the importance of foreign languages, as languages increase in value as they cross national boundaries. Foreign languages are important to a university because they help people understand how people's lives are different elsewhere.

Bartelt said he chose UNO because "few universities are appreciative of the metropolitan surrounding. People integrate location into how to run the program and deal with the students."

Mav Softball Game Goes to the Dog



—SR Kemper

Monday's UNO softball game brought out Craig Furstenau and his dog Butch to catch the Lady Mays' 1996 debut.

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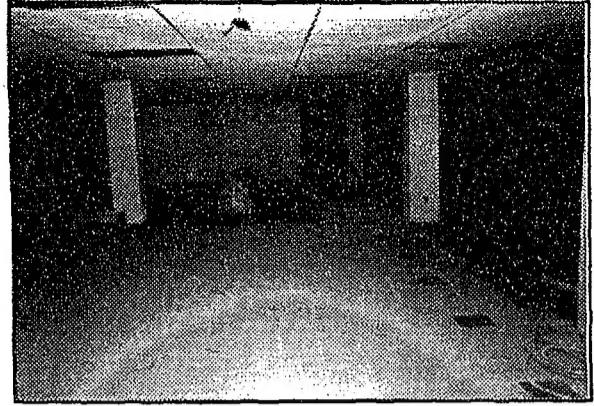
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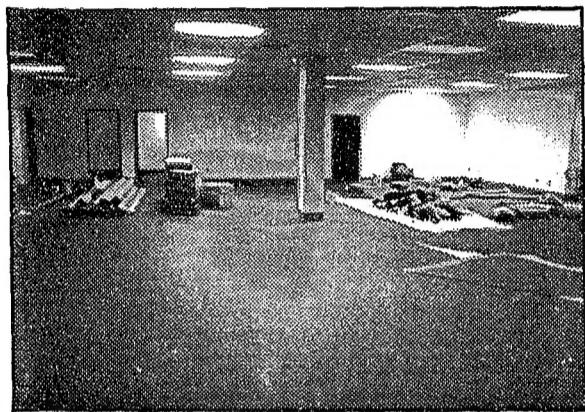
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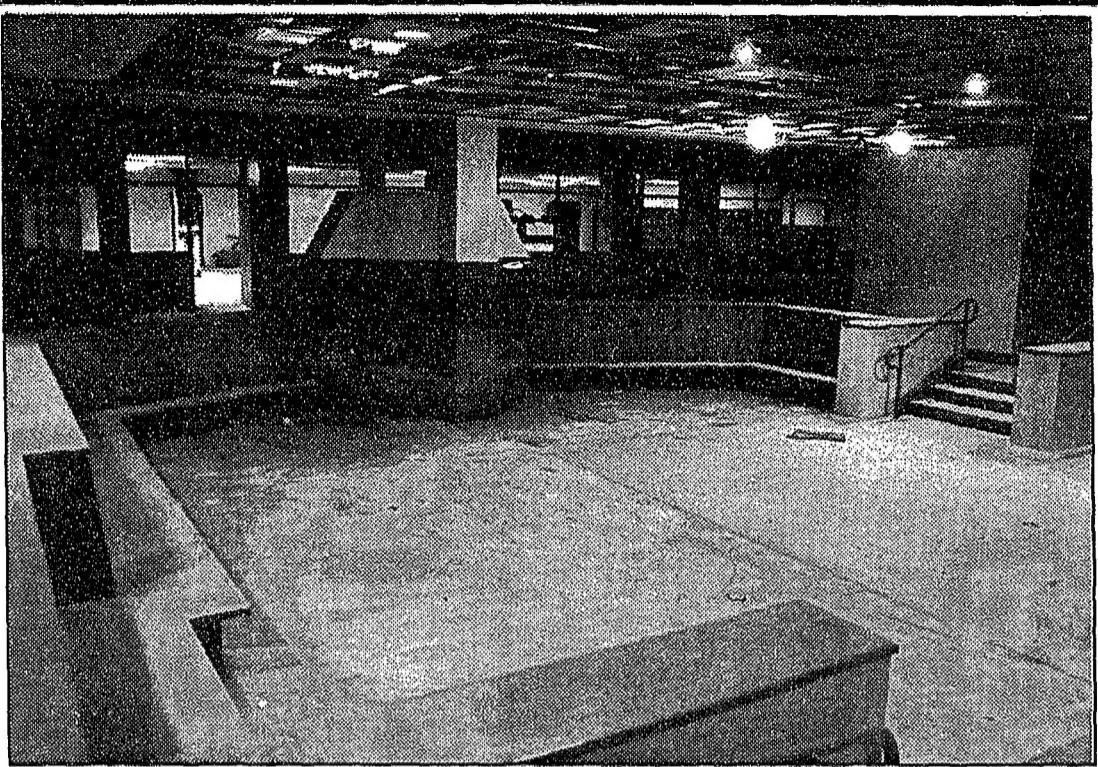


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Sports



Freshmen Shine in Opening Day Sweep

By Tony Reinke

It's too early for UNO Head Baseball Coach Bob Gates to know where the eight junior college transfers will fit in this year's team. Gates didn't play any of them in the second game of a double-header against Doane College Monday. The result was a 6-1 win and a look at where the 13 freshmen stand.

"I think (the freshmen) now feel that they can compete on this level," Gates said. "They felt they could compete against the other guys on the team in practice and now they have the confidence that they can play. We're going to depend on some of those freshmen."

Left-handed pitcher Steve Winkler, who started for the Mavs, picked up the victory with his two innings of no-hit baseball. The freshman from Elkhorn wasted no time in his first collegiate game, throwing eight strikes and three balls in the first inning and tossed strikeouts to the first two batters of the game.

"Steve pitched well," Gates said. "To get ahead of hitters like he did is important."

UNO scored two runs in the bottom of the second inning when Joe Cunningham hit his first pitch of the game for a two-run homer.

The Mavs answered back in the third inning when outfielder Glenn Cook hit a home run over the scoreboard in left-center, UNO led 3-0.

Doane scored their first and only run of the game in the top of the fourth inning. Tiger first baseman Matt Rice singled to right field and advanced to second on a hit by teammate Blake Waltke. Rice went to third base on a error by UNO and scored on a sacrifice bunt by Joe Kellerby. UNO held a 3-1 lead.

In the fifth inning, Cook scored for the third time of the game. He was walked by Doane pitcher John Bowers and driven home by a triple off Cunningham's bat.

The UNO freshmen didn't let up in the sixth inning. Right fielder Pete Englund and Justin Siebler successfully attempted bunts, both stole second base and scored on wild pitches.

Pitcher and infielder Steve Synowicki closed out the game on the mound for UNO. The freshman from Creighton Prep gave up two hits and no runs to the Tigers in the two final innings.

Cook, a freshman from North Platte, went 1-1 in the second game with a home run, walk and scored three times. Cunningham finished the day at 2-3 with a home run, a triple and three RBI's.

"(Cunningham and Cook) have good power," Gates said. "I wasn't expecting either one to hit a home run today, but I'm glad to see it. That will give them a lot of confidence."

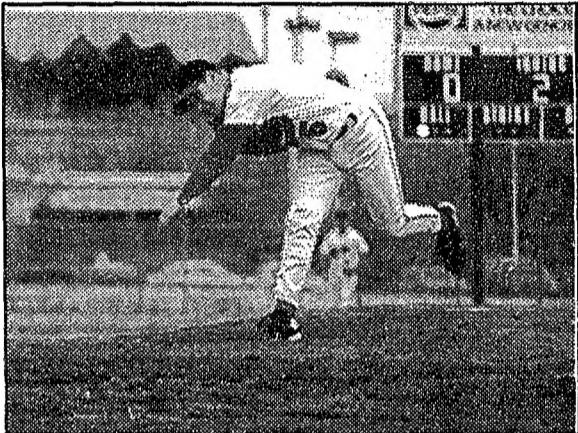
Englund went 1-1 with three walks and two stolen bases. Gates says the center fielder from Benson High School is "going to play a lot of ball for us the next four years."

Mav notes:

The Mavs move to 2-0 on the season after the sweep of Doane College. UNO won the first game of the doubleheader 18-5 at College World Series Park. Junior Adam Kusleika went 4-4 with five runs batted in and two home runs.

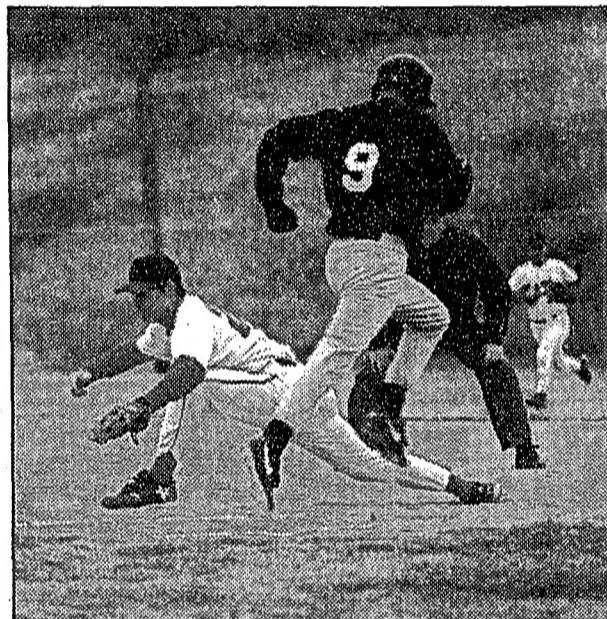
Junior Nick Babe, a junior college transfer, finished the game 3-4 with four RBI's.

Greg Geary picked up the win over Doane in the first game with three innings of mound work. He is expected to pitch on a regular basis this season.

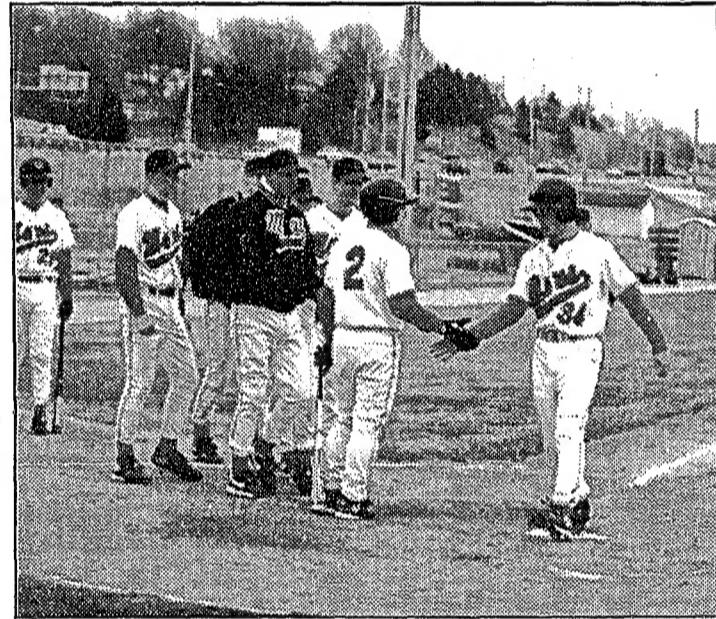


Mav freshman Steve Winkler picked up his first college win over Doane College Monday.

—Photos by SR Kemper



Doane College couldn't beat out UNO on this throw or in the game. The Mavs won 6-1.



Freshman Joe Cunningham, right, comes home after hitting a home run against Doane on Monday.

Lady Mav Softball Team Takes Two From Dana

By Tony Reinke

UNO's Lady Mav softball team took the first step in their quest for their third straight NCC championships with a double-header sweep of Dana College on Monday. Behind the pitching of returning all-conference pitcher Denise Peterson, the Lady Mavs brushed past Dana 2-0 in the first game. The senior pitcher is coming off knee surgery earlier in the season.

"With my knee injury, I've had to work harder in the fall," she said. "I think I'm 80 percent of the way back."

Peterson stuck out five hitters and allowed four hits in the sixth inning contest Monday en route to her first win of the season and her 46th of her career.

"She's got the ability to help us and we're going to rely on her a lot as a veteran pitcher," said UNO Head Coach Mary Yori. "It should be inter-

esting to see how things develop for her this season."

Peterson is coming off an 18-8 season and has a career ERA of 1.71.

The only runs of the first game came from the bat of Mindy Hahne with a third inning home run.

DeAnn Hanisch and Jenelle Negrete combined to pitch a one-hitter and UNO took a 9-0 victory in the nightcap.

Yori feels Hanisch, a sophomore, is about

to become a force for the Lady Mavs.

"DeAnn didn't get much pitching last year as a freshman," she said. "Last season she really didn't have the confidence, but she worked hard in the summer to strengthen her pitching repertoire. For DeAnn, it's only going to be a matter of time before she gains that confidence and becomes an outstanding pitcher for us."

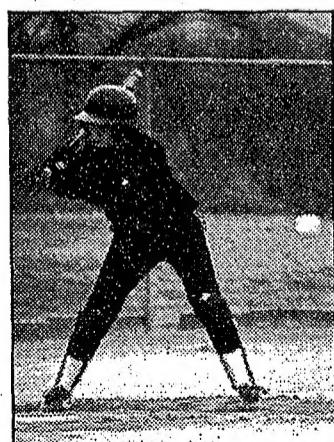
Shortstop Lori Foster was 1-3 in the game with two runs batted in. Jess Barrineau, com-

ing off major knee surgery, went 2-3 and drove in one run.

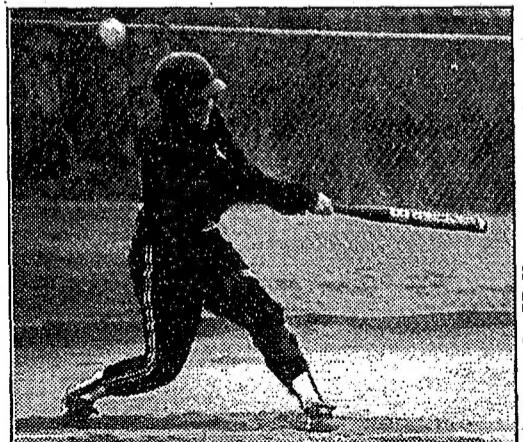
"(Barrineau) was a big question mark for us," Yori said. "She had total ACL surgery in September but is about 90 percent."

In all, the Lady Mavs are returning seven players from last season's 6-1 conference team.

"We don't have a big team, but we do have a lot of talent," Peterson said. "Our whole infield is back and that will win a lot of ball games for us."



UNO's Mindy Hahne takes this pitch all the way.



Lady Mavs Jess Barrineau fouled this pitch against Dana College.

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Lady Mav pitching ace Denise Peterson, right, led UNO to a shutout win over Dana in the first game of a double-header on Monday.

Sidelines

Skokan, Speelman, Breen Honored by NCC

Senior basketball players John Skokan and Michelle Speelman were named to the all-North Central Conference teams. Skokan, a senior from Creighton Prep high school, set all-time rebounding marks in the UNO record books and in the conference. He led the conference in blocked shots, as well.

Speelman, a 5-foot-11 forward, averaged 14.6 points and 5.8 rebounds per game for the Lady Mavs last season.

Junior Amy Breen was picked for the honorable mention team.

St. Cloud's Brenda Meyer and Mankato State's Pat Coleman earned MVP honors.

Track Team Sends Eight to Nationals

Head Coach Tim Hendricks and the UNO Lady Mav track squad will send eight qualifiers to nationals in Indianapolis tonight and Saturday.

Carri Butler (55 meters, 400, 4x400), Elise Henry (800, mile, 4x400), Tunisia Ellis (55), Jamie Erkes (55 hurdles) and Amy Paulsen (shot put) are headed to Indiana. Sandy Derby and Kelly Koziol are also headed to Indianapolis as members of the 4x400 relay team. The competition will be held in the RCA dome.

Injury Report

SOFTBALL- Sophomore right fielder Laura Adams broke a bone in her hand in a game against Dana College Monday and will miss three to six weeks. Junior catcher Pam Schaefer underwent surgery a week ago to cure a blood clot in her shoulder. Yori says Schaefer is out for the season.

BASEBALL- Sophomore utility player Brian Kudym is set to return soon. The Omaha South High School graduate was out with knee surgery. Catcher Brent Rasmussen had tendonitis and sat out both games Monday. The freshman is day-to-day and set to return, as well.

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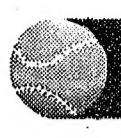
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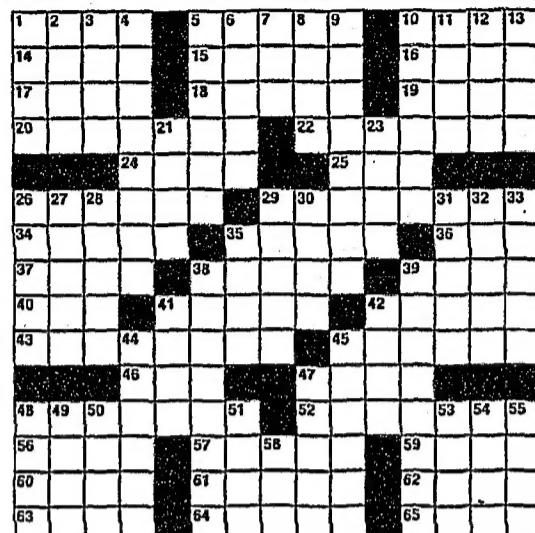
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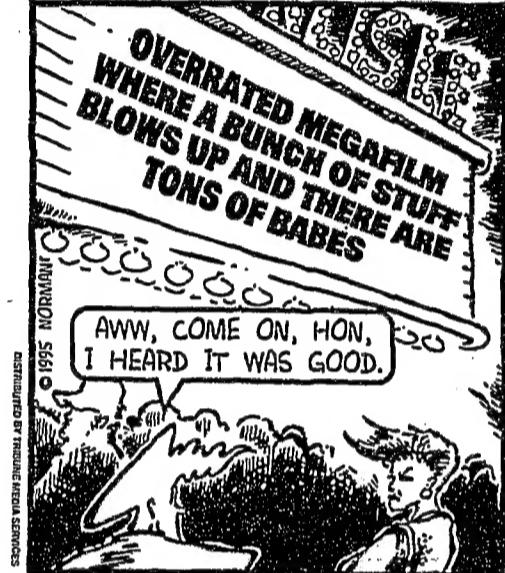
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UC-Berkeley Takes Computer Programming Championship

PHILADELPHIA—College football players have their bowl games; basketball players have their league championships. But what about computer programmers?

For those students, there is the annual International Collegiate Programming Contest, which pits about 50 college teams from North America, Europe, Asia and Australia against one another in a five-hour battle of logic and mental endurance.

This year, the University of California at Berkeley reigned victorious as the world's best and brightest computer science students gathered in Philadelphia for the 20th anniversary of the competition, sponsored by the Association for Computing.

The student programmers worked furiously to beat the clock while they hammered out solutions to such real-life problems as: "Imagine you've been hired by Liberty Bell. Write a program to determine the most cost-effective calling circle given the following variables . . ."

The brainy Berkeley team split the \$31,500 prize, donated by Microsoft Corporation, with the top six teams, which included fellow American teams Harvard University (second) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (fifth).

Cornell Student Donates Colonial-era Letters

ITHACA, N.Y.—A major collection of previously unknown papers from U.S. presidents and other political leaders of the 18th and 19th centuries has been donated to Cornell University Library by a current student.

The collection includes a number of letters written by John and Abigail Adams, the nation's second presidential couple.

The collection was donated by Sarah Johnson, a Cornell graduate student in development psychology and her sister, Gwyneth Johnson Lymberis. They are great-great-great-granddaughters of John and Abigail Adams.

The family papers contain some 250 documents, including dozens of letters written between Adams relatives; letters, land grants and army discharge papers signed by presidents George Washington, James Monroe, Martin Van Buren and Chester Arthur; an autograph book signed by President Rutherford B. Hayes and members of his administration; and even a lock of John Adams' hair.

The documents will form the basis of research projects for students and scholars, say university officials. Already, Cornell undergraduates in one class have begun working with the John and Abigail Adams letters.

"What's especially interesting about these letters," said Professor Joan Jacobs Brumberg, a social and cultural historian at Cornell, "is that [the woman of the Adams' family] were basically lost to history before this collection."

Students in Brumberg's class will team up to transcribe and annotate photocopies of the Adams letters, viewing the originals in the library if needed. Those transcriptions later will be put on-line and made accessible via the World Wide Web.

The only woman to be both wife and mother of a U.S. president (son John Quincy Adams led the nation from 1825-29), Abigail Adams was an outspoken and involved first lady, said Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Michael Kammen, who is a professor of American history at Cornell.

According to Kammen, Adams frequently engaged in sophisticated political discourse concerning matters of the day—often in letters with Thomas Jefferson. She believed women had as great a stake in those matters as men, and often reminded her husband of such, he added.

"He's off at the Continental Congress, she's back in Massachusetts, and she knows he's dealing with the most profound of issues," Kammen said. "She tells him, 'Remember the Ladies' . . . 'don't forget us while you are away, or that we are now doing many of the things that men traditionally once did.'"

Post Office Issues Fulbright Stamp

WASHINGTON—Move over Elvis. The U.S. Postal Service has issued a new stamp commemorating 50 years of Fulbright Scholarships.

The stamp's design features a compass laid over the outline of a student's head to symbolize the powers of the mind, and a decorative background that represents academia and the arts.

Postmaster General Marvin Runyon said the Fulbright scholarships, awarded to about 5,000 students each year, are being honored because they "have worked, through education, to strengthen U.S. relations worldwide."

The scholarship program was first introduced to Congress by former Sen. J. William Fulbright after World War II to encourage mutual understanding between the United States and other countries.

Fulbright scholars study at international universities or conduct research with foreign countries. Past recipients include Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan and U.N. Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali.

Whiners May Be Better Off, Study Finds

Go ahead and complain. Whine if you must. Expressing your discontent could help you live longer than your quiet, inner-suffering pals.

So says a new study by Belgian doctors, who have coined a new personality type, known as Type-D. Those are the people who suppress negative feelings such as anger and frustration, according to wire report on the study.

A doctor at an Antwerp hospital spent 10 years tracking 300 patients with heart disease, aged between 31 and 79. He found that Type-D personalities were four times more likely to die than other personality types.

Type-A are recognized as impatient people with workaholic tendencies; Type-Bs are more laid back. There is

no Type-C.

Unfortunately, the doctors said they weren't sure how Type-Ds could be helped and called for more studies on the subject.

Four Clemson U. Players Arrested On Rape Charges

CLEMSON, S.C.—Four Clemson University football players have been arrested and charged with the rape of a female student.

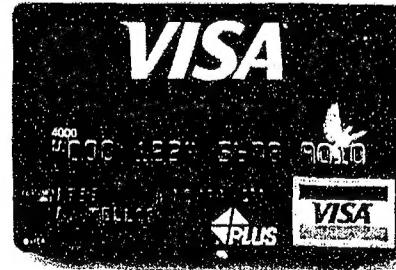
The four players charged, all freshmen, are linebackers Adrian Dingle and Bennie Zeigler, defensive lineman Eric Williams and defensive back Christopher Rice. Charges against the players include first-degree sexual assault and conspiracy to commit criminal sexual assault in the first degree.

The incident reportedly took place Feb. 15 in a campus residence hall. If convicted, the students could receive up to 30 years in jail.

Clemson Head Football Coach Tommy West said the players were suspended indefinitely from the team.

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